

Anduin

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FROM THE WIZARD'S MOUTH:

You'd expect that during the summertime, things would slow down a bit. Not so! Lots of exciting things are happening around here. By the time you get this, Kanekon II will be history and I'll probably write something about it inside. As for myself, I'm keeping very busy getting into shape for soccer next year -- running 3-5 miles a day and working out with the ball. I'm also playing in a summer baseball league which is a heck of a lot of fun. I'm playing shortstop and batting second.

The Olympics are currently going on and the USA has started off very well. The fact that the USSR and other Eastern bloc nations are not present is definitely having an effect on the games, but the spectators and the athletes still seem to be having a good time and are competing well. Already several world and Olympic records have been broken. Still, I had hoped that the Russians would attend - it would have made the competition that much more fierce and exciting, not to mention adding incentive on both sides to win.

In the world of baseball, the Tigers look un-catchable and the Mets are amazingly hanging on close to first even after dropping 3 out of 4 to Chicago. Mattingly and Winfield continue to hit well and I guarantee that one of them will win the batting title with the other finishing second. Halpern's idols (Murray and Ripken) are hitting pretty well also, though not as well and over in the National League, Strawberry is hitting a paltry .265. It is important to note though, that Strawberry is getting the job done, playing well in the field and driving in runs by the bunches, so stop complaining Stone!

With the space left I think I should talk a bit about the future of this 'zine. September will be my 3rd anniversary issue and it may very well be my last. I hope not, though. Over the past few months I have attempted to cut the size of the issues down a bit and I believe I have succeeded. However, a large amount of time is still involved in putting out an issue. I don't know if I will be able to spend that amount of time on it in college. Also, quite frankly, I don't know if I will be willing to do so. I enjoy putting out Anduin, and during the last three years it has filled a gap in my life. I didn't find high school particularly interesting or challenging until this last year, so I was able to channel my interests, to express myself through putting out a magazine. I found it fulfilling and rewarding, and I learned a great deal. But I have also found new interests since then, such as more active participation in sports, chess, girls (don't laugh!), as well as other things. I don't think I have "burned out", I still enjoy putting out Anduin but I suspect that

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There are no game openings currently, nor will there be any in the near future.

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See-list: Purple Rain **: East Times At Ridgemont High **: Buddy Hackett on HBO from Atlantic City **** (Hysterical!)

Play-list: Billy Joel The Stranger ***1/2; Styx The Grand Illusion **1/2; The Who Who Are You? ***.

NEW ADDRESS!! SEE ABOVE!

THE DEADLINE FOR ALL ANDUIN GAMES IS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1984

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it may be time to move on to new things. I'm not sure, but the next few months should hold the answer. Whatever the case, should I fold, please rest assured that the games will be safely rehoused and all sub balances refunded. As to my other hobby involvement, I expect to remain in the hobby but with a lower profile. I'm currently in 4 games and don't plan on entering any more for quite a while with one exception. That being a game between seven Great Neckers (including myself) who are all going to college this fall. We hope to force ourselves to keep in contact this way!

In other hobby news, the 1984 Runestone Poll Results are out. Gary Coughlan's Europa Express wins for an unprecedented 3rd straight year, and it is a well deserved win I might add. I was pleasantly surprised at the high finish of Ed Wrobel's Politesse, which came in 3rd. Anduin was 28th with an average of 6.66 (an omen!) and 45 people voting. Well, I'm glad so many of you voted but I was a little disturbed at my low showing. Checking the breakdown, I find that my low showing is not due to "grudge" votes, but rather, a large number of 4's 5's and 6's. I did receive several 9's and 10's, but not enough apparently to raise my score sufficiently to place me in the top 10 that I had predicted I would finish in. Now don't get me wrong, I'm not upset at my finish as I don't regard these polls all that highly, due to the, shall we say, eccentricity of certain clans within the hobby to assure their own favorites a high finish (the ole' "you scratch my back and I'll scratch yours" you might say), still it would be nice to know that one's hard work is appreciated. This marks the first year that I have gone down in the polls. I was 22nd in last year's poll. Last year I was voted as the Most Improved Zine in Mike Mill's Eminent Awards, that was around issue 22. Since then, I think the quality of each issue has improved vastly. The issues have been larger and although quantity doesn't always vary directly with quality, I sincerely believed that there was a lot more interesting stuff to read. I edited letters more carefully; thanks to Ken Halpern and more care on my part, typos, grammatical and spelling errors became fewer and further apart; each issue came out on time.... Christ, what did I do wrong? Oh well, a while ago I was told by several people in the hobby that you can't please everyone so you might as well please yourself. If other people like it, then that's just a bonus. Anyway, enough of my griping. Hey, let's hear it for 30 Miles of Bad Road which finished 5th this year! Well done and well deserved Mark! I was also pleased to see that The Modern Idiot got the recognition it so richly deserved, last place with an average of 3.03.

In other news, Steve Knight has restarted the International Zine Exchange. If you are interested in subbing to some of the British zines, write to Steve stating which zine(s) you are interested in getting, whether you want it delivered by airmail or surface, and the number of issues you want. You pay in US dollars and Steve will convert it to the correct currency. He'll be working along with Doug Rowling on the other side of the pond. Steve's address is 11905 Winterthur Lane #103, Reston, VA, 22091.

MOMMY, LOOK AT THAT MONSTER BURIED IN THE SAND!!

Panelon II was a huge success this year, drawing some new faces plus some old ones. Kevin Stone and Phil Dancause arrived on Thursday in time to come and watch my horrible baseball team get the tar beat out of us. Kevin even got to play for an inning; we passed him off as a 19 year old Great Necker (thank goodness the coach didn't suspect that he is really only 14!). During a practice before the game, Rev tried to "pay me back" for my superb GMing by beaming me in batting practice. Fortunately, he only got my ankle, so I can still type!

That evening several Great Neckers came over and we held the only regular Dip game of the weekend. I drew France to Stone's England and Jon Brachman's Germany. I attempted my famous F Bre-Mid-Iri opening, and allied with Brachman. Unfortunately, Kevin put up a tough resistance, and before we could make any real headway, Russia and Italy had attacked Germany, crippling him, and were moving on me. The game ended in a concession to Glenn Nadaner's Russia. Fergie put in a good game as Italy too. This game prompted Kevin to ask: "How do you know when Eric Kane is lying?" The answer seemed obvious: "When his lips are moving!"

The next day saw the arrival of Bruce Linsey and Steve Hutton. We decided to teach a bunch of people how to play Civilization and we started a game. A couple of turns and 4 hours later, Dave Lincoln showed up with two of his kids, Brian who is six and Rebecca who is eight. These two are not only extremely adorable but are also highly bright. When we came back from the beach on Saturday, Rebecca was able to recall how to get back to my house - and this was her first time in Great Neck! We decided to break for dinner and we went out for pizza. We almost got Brux and Brian (Lorber) into an "eat off", but that would have taken the rest of the night. That evening I played in a gunboat game that ended after 5 years or so I guess, with no noticeable result. My Russia ended with 3 units. Bruce, Kevin, Dave and his kids played in a game of Rail Baron, but I stole Dave away from the game to go see The Rocky Horror Picture Show along with John Ferguson, Steve Hutton and myself, so a standby was found. We all had a good time at Rocky shouting out lines and such.

On Saturday we decided to go to the beach and stopped at a Diner along the way for Breakfast. The waitress dropped John's milk on him and proceeded to break out into hysterical laughter. When she regained her composure she took our orders. Brux wanted two eggs any style ("It says so right here on the Menu!" quoth the Bruiser) but she wouldn't bring them for him. We had a good time at the beach, enjoying the sights, bodysurfing (it was windy and the water was very choppy. There many waves, but not too many big ones), and of course burying Brux in the sand. Apparently Kathy Byrne had asked Phil Dancause to bury him "head first" this time, and although we weren't able to convince Brux to do this, Dave's two kids obliged her in part by kicking sand in Bruce's face. Then we put a monster mask over his head and he tried to scare away little kids that came by. It was when we removed the mask that hysteria broke out on the beach!

That evening we discovered a great Chinese restaurant where you can get all-you-can-eat for 9.95 (I would discover this

restaurant two weeks before I leave for college!). After dinner we started a game of Civilization and Acquire. I was Assyria in the Civ game with no Babylonia and Hutton as Asia. Egypt and I agreed to divide the cities up on the Syrian coast which left me with just one neighbor. In general I didn't attack Steve much, only occasionally grabbing a space or two when he was weak. Like after he got hit with a civil war and his forces were cut almost in half. I felt kind of sorry for him though. After all, I had already made him look like a fool in print during the Linsey GMing debate, so why rub salt in the wound? Actually, Steve is a really neat guy. As the game neared its end (Glenn Nadaner and I got a two-way draw) several people got into a discussion of politics, religion etc. - just like an issue of Anduin. The participants in the "roundtable" were myself, Steve, Kevin, Nick Felella and his friend Pete, Brian Liebowitz (another GNER), and Ken Halpern. I won't relate the details of the discussion, suffice it to say that it was most interesting and enjoyable to get some differing opinions and viewpoints. The day before I had an interesting discussion with Phil Dancause and Scott Cameron concerning the current debate among Dan Palter, Ken and myself. Phil is veritable encyclopedia of knowledge. For those of you who complain when you go to Dipcon and other big tournaments that you don't get enough time to just sit and chat, KaneKon is for you!

On Sunday everyone left except for Steve and Kevin, who wanted to stay over until Monday so they could go into the city. Bruce also stayed until dinner time so we played a game of Trivial Pursuit and talked baseball with Ken Halpern. Too bad about those Mets, Stone, and the Dodgers should be in Triple-A, Brux! After dinner, we went over to see Ken in a youth-group production of West Side Story. Now a lot of my good friends were in the cast so I'm not going to say anything about the play (in a critical sense) except that Ken played Officer Krupke well and that I had a good time at it. I would suggest getting the next issue of NEA for a real review! I went to the cast party that evening while Kevin and Steve got a good night's sleep. They left the next morning thus officially ending KaneKon II. Be there next year for Part III in 3-D!

I've just read in Graustark #496 that Kathy Byrne has resigned as Boardman Number Custodian, and that the new Custodian is Bill Quinn (301 Conroe Drive, Conroe, TX, 77301). Kathy will be missed, as she did a very good job I thought, but I have complete confidence in Bill Quinn to handle the job efficiently. I wish him luck!

NEW ADDRESS! SEE PAGE 2!

1981KI

"Spring, 1912"

Autumn, 1911: Russia r A War OTB. Austria retreats A Tri-Bud; A Rum-Ser.

Winter, 1911: England builds F Lon; France builds F Bre, A Par & A Mar; Austria removes F Alb & A Boh.

RUSSIANS HOLE UP IN TURKEY!

England (Chisholm): F Bar-

NRG; F Nrg-NTH; E BEL-

Eng; E LON-Eng; E DEN-

Kie; A KIE-Ber; A BER-

Sil; A SIL U, H; F PRU

S A Kie-Ber; F Lvn-BAL;

A War-GAL; A St.P-MOS;

A Mos-SEV; A RUM S

FRENCH A Tri-Ser.

France (Hakey): F Bre-MID;

A Par-BRE; A Mar-PIE;

A Ven-TRI; A Tri-SER;

F Ion-EAS; F Apu-ION;

F TYN S F Apu-Ion;

A TYR S A Ven-Tri;

A GRE S A Tri-Ser;

A MUN S ENGLISH A Sil-

Boh((nso)); F WES H.

Austria (Murray): A Gal-

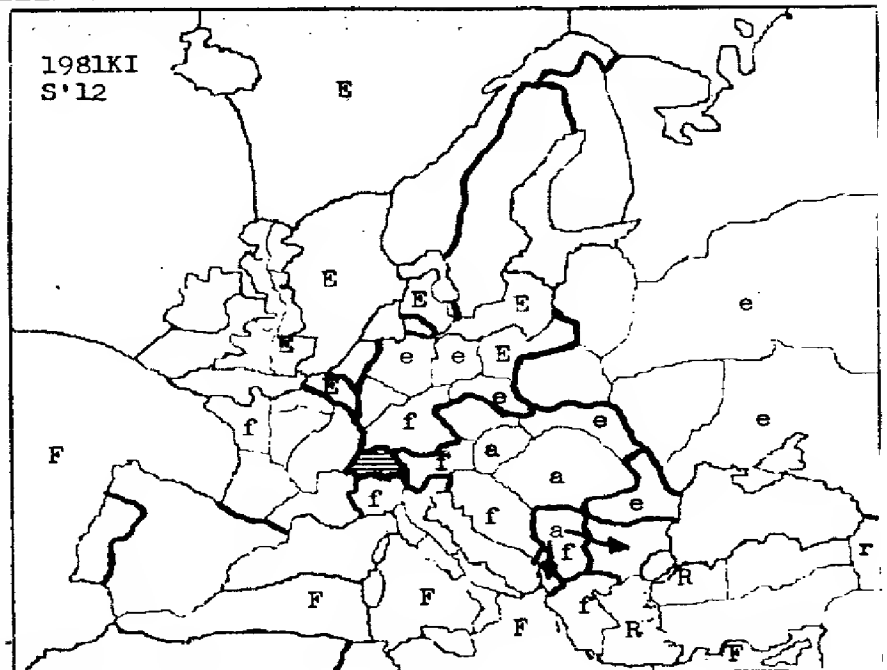
VIE; A BUD S A Gal-Vie;

A Ser-Iri.

Russia (Corbin): F Bul(sc)-

AEG; A Sev-ARM; E CON

S ENGLISH A Rum-Bul((nso)).



The Austrian A Ser may retreat to Bul, Alb or OTB.

PRESS:

Paris-London: All proceeds according to plan.

Paris-Russian Troops: We will not take Smyrna this year; fear not, Austria will go away first, my friend.

Paris-Vienna: Like I said, it might have worked, but this will work. Again, if we had moved originally when I proposed the idea, when you supported Italy instead, we would have done it - but England became too entrenched, you see.

France-Austria: And it almost worked, too!

Paris-London: 17/17, here we come-I hope.

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1984Brv08 press from page 20:

Zimbabwe: Death to the Capitalists and reactionaries! Long live the dictatorship of the Proletariat!

Edrank-GM: Can I change my name to "France"? I have all their dots plus the ones they usually get in 1901. So how about it?

Edrank-World: C'mon guys, write! I haven't heard from hardly any of you so 1) Sit down 2) Get paper 3) Write on paper 4) Sign paper 5) put in envelope 6) seal envelope 7) put stamp on envelope 8) address envelope 9) mail it!

Zimbabwe: I came, I saw, I fell flat on my face.

Geraldine Ferraro-World: If any of you think you can trust John Chisholm, my husband has some swamp land to sell you.

1981IR

"Fall, 1910"

Summer, 1910: France NRR's, F Lon r OTB.

RUSSIA WINS IN LAST-MINUTE STAB!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

England (Ansoff):

F_Edi_H.

France (Martin): No units.

Germany (Carter):

F_Hol-Nth.

Italy (Kollmer): F Nao-

NRG; F CLY S RUSSIAN

F Nrg-Edi; F LON H;

A WAL S F Lon; A PIC

S A Bel; A BEL S

RUSSIAN F Kie-Hol;

A_BUR-Mun; A_IYR_S

A_Vie; A_TRI_S A_Vie;

A_Vie_S A_Iyr; F ADR H;

A GRE S A Ser; A_SER_S

A_Gre; F_AEG-Bul(ec);

F SMY H; F Mid-ENG.

Russia (Furey): F Nrg-

EDI; F_DEN-Nth; F Kie-

HOL; A RUH S F Kie-Hol;

A_SIL-Mun; A_MUN-Iyr;

A Lvn-MOS; A NWY H;

A_Gal-VIE; A BOH &

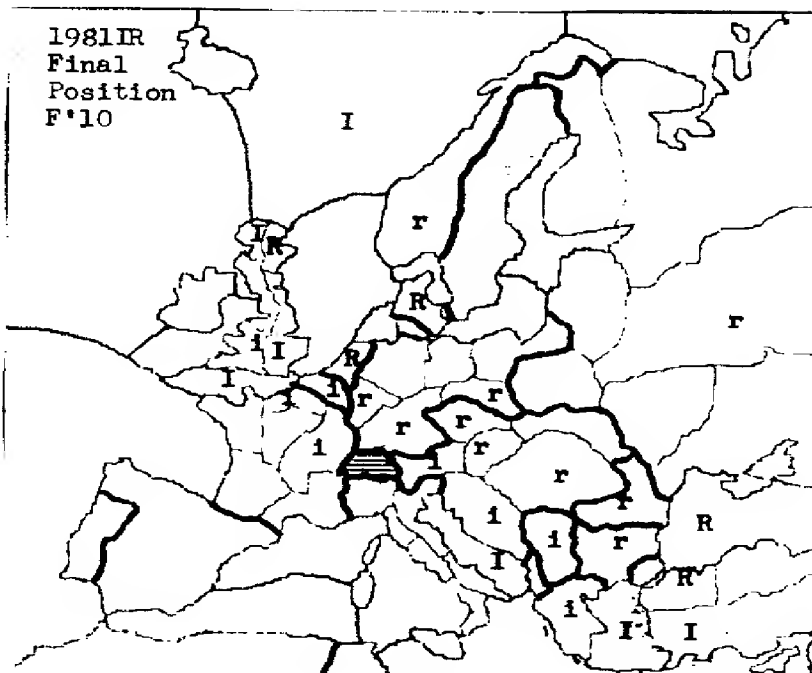
A BUD S A Gal-Vie;

A_BUL-Ser; A RUM S

A Bul-Ser; F_BLA-

Bul(ec); F CON H.

1981IR
Final
Position
F'10



The English F Edi and German F Hol are dislodged and retreat OTB as neither country has a remaining supply center. The Italian A Vie is also dislodged and annihilated. Here is the 1910 supply center chart:

England: Edi (O). O-U-T.

France: Lon (O). O-U-T.

Germany: Hol (O). O-U-T.

Italy: Home, Tun, Smy, Tri, Gre, Vie, Ser, Spa, For, Mar, Par, Bre, Bel, Lvp, LON (16). Even.

Russia: Home, Ank, Con, Bul, Rum, Bud, VIE, Nwy, Swe, Ber, Kie, Mun, Den, EDI, HOL (18). Wins!!!

Here's the final press:

Germany-Italy: That's me, Mr. Nice Guy!

St. Pete-Mad Pope: Why do I have the terrible feeling that my back is sorer than yours?!

England-Italy: Speak for yourself, old boy. At least I write my own letters instead of having some stooge write them for me.

Italy-England: Apology is extended - got games mixed up.

Edinburgh: "Thy troops are mustered, Lord."

The Lord of the Isles ran his eyes over the motionless ranks. The summer sun flashed on breastplates and scabbards, and the breeze off the Firth ruffled the faded standards. Under each

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helmet, a bearded face stared impassively forward.

So this was how it would end, he thought. One more blow, a hopeless blow, against the final darkness. All the brave deeds of the past, the victories and the defeats -- would the future care or even know of them? Would future generations speak of the hopeless struggle, of the overwhelming strength of the Enemy? And of the worthlessness of the allies: Lord Farter, whose foolish pride outweighed his reason, and Richard, whose twisted logic made virtues of deceit and treachery?

"Sons of the Isles!" he began. "You have brought glory and victory to Our name here at home, and in many lands across the sea. We sail now to fight the final foe -- will you leave the glory unstained?"

"We Will, My Lord!" In unison, and without hesitation.

A gust from the Firth snapped at the banners, and a cloud passed briefly over the sun.

GM: And with that brilliant piece of press, this game ends. Here is the wrap-up:

1981IR Anduin(Eric Kane)

Austria: Don Scheifler(out F*05)

England: Scott Bloom(dro S*05); Peter Ansoff(out F*10)

France: Dick Martin(out F*10)

Germany: Dave Carter(out F*10)

Italy: Ed Kollmer(sur F*10)

Russia: **Ed Furey**(win F*10)

Turkey: Nick Felella(out F*05)

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A:	4	5	3	1	0	-	-	-	-	-
E:	5	6	6	6	7	4	4	2	1	0
F:	4	5	5	5	4	3	2	2	1	0
G:	5	5	5	5	5	3	3	2	1	0
I:	4	5	6	8	9	12	13	15	16	16
R:	6	6	7	8	9	12	12	13	15	18 wins!
T:	4	2	2	1	0	-	-	-	-	-
	32	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34	34

Notes: I'll save most of my notes on this game for next time. I thought it was very interesting and enjoyed GM'ing it immensely. I hope to receive a bunch of endgame statements for next time. Meanwhile, let me extend my congratulations to Ed Furey on a well timed stab.

NEW ADDRESS! SEE PAGE 2!

1981IP

"Fall, 1912"

Summer, 1912: France retreats F Nth-Eng.

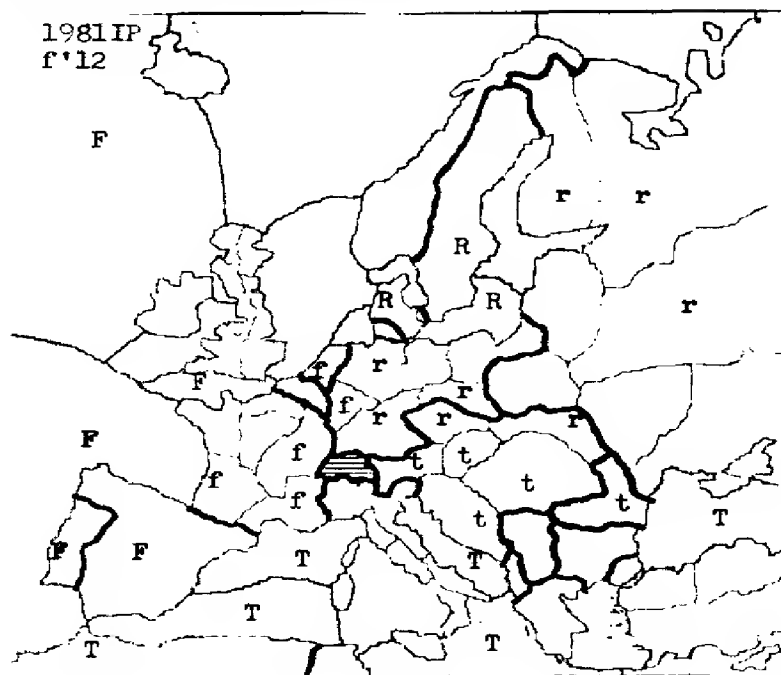
RUSSIANS PULL BACK FROM WESTERN FRONT!

France (Chisholm): F Nrg-
NAO: E MID-Wes: E ENG-
Mid: F POR S F Spa(sc):
F SPA(sc) S F Mid-Wes:
A MAR-Pie: A BUR-Mar:
A GAS S A Bur-Mar:
A RUH-Bel: A HOL-Bel.

Russia (Byrne): F Nth-
DEN: F Den-BAL: F Nwy-
SWE: A Swe-FIN: A Fin-
STP: A StP-MOS: A Bud-
Rum: A Sil-GAL: A Ber-
SIL: A MUN-Tyo: A BOH S
A Mun-Tyo: A KIE-Mun.

Turkey (Nadane): F Con-
BLA: A Ser-BUD: A RUM
S A Ser-Bud: A TRI &
A TYO S A Vie: A VIE
S A Tyo: E LYD-Pie:
F Tyn-ION: F NAF S
F Wes: E WES S FRENCH
E Spa(sc): E ADR S
FRENCH F Nrg((imp)).

1981IP
f'12



The Russian A Bud is annihilated. Here is the 1912 supply center chart:

France: Home, Bel, Hol, Spa, Por, Lon, Edi, Lvp (10). Even
Russia: Home, Rum, Bud, Vie, Ber, Mun, Kie, Nwy, Swe, Den (10)
remove 1 (was 1 short and 1 anni).

Turkey: Home, Bul, Ser, Gre, Tri, Ven, Rom, Nap, Tun, VIE, BUD,
RUM (14). Build 3.

Don't forget I have a new address! See page 2 for it.

PRESS:

Russia-France: I'm serious, as evidenced by my moves, you get the win, all it takes is patience on your part - did the Turk offer the same? Somehow I doubt it! Your moves decide the finish of this game.

Paris: Jubilant crowds gathered along the Champs Elysee today upon hearing the news of the Turkish perfidy. In his speech to the nation, Prime Minister Jon Robert declared that the road top victory would still be long and hard, but that at least France had hope and an ally now.

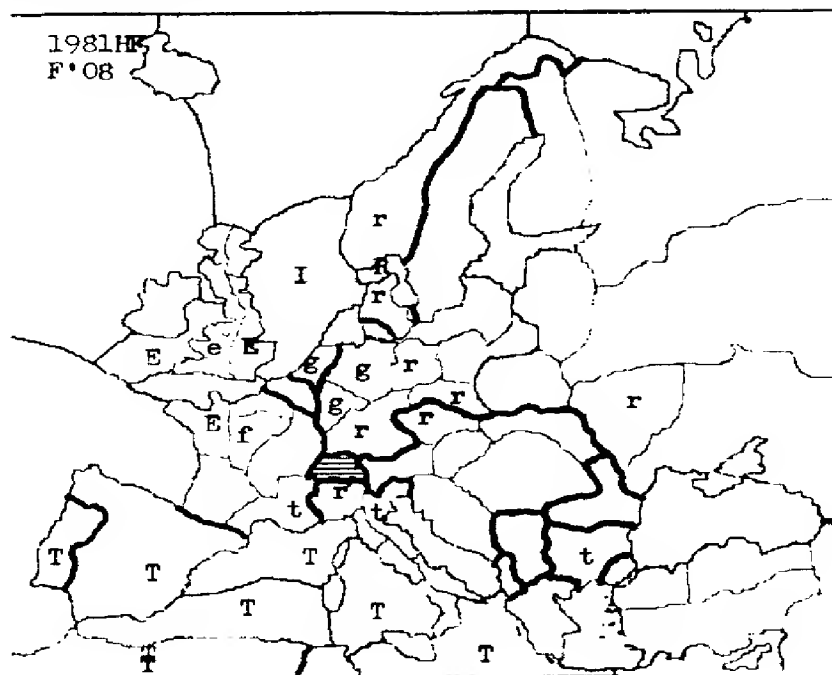
Russia-Turkey: There is no fool like a young fool. You'll hit 18 over my dead body & if France gives me the leeway that I need - he gets 18 with my help!

"Fall, 1908"

TURKS OVERRUN IBERIAN PENINSULA!

1981HF
F'08

Turkey (Frueh): F Mid-FOR;
F Lyo-SPA(sc); F WES S
F Lyo-Spa(sc); F_NAE-
Mid; F Tus-LYO; A MAR S
F Lyo-Spa(sc); F TYN S
F Tus-Lyo; F Eas-ION;
A VEN S RUSSIAN A Pie;
A BUL H.



Mark-Eric: Okay now you're about to become big man on campus... Remember one thing....keep telling the greek women that your folks are rich and that back at your place you have a stocked bar....if that doesn't work, tell her that you're having a party tomorrow night and that she would be the big hit....like moths to a fire they will be breaking down your door to get at your smokeless body.. (Sn I Lied.....) You'll be lucky if they even talk to you until you're a sophomore.....

GM-Mark: Boy, you sure do stockpile those "...s"! I think you used a year's supply in those last two releases!

Mark-Roland: Thanks for the call...But do I have to show those Floridians what a Madlad is? Or is it better that they experience one up close and personal?

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1982Bxm02 Fall, 1908"

Last season I omitted the Turkish moves, they were: A Bag S F Ira;
F Ira H; A Arm-SMY; F CON S A Arm-Smy; A SYR-Jor.

Summer, 1908: Japan retreats F Canton-Yellow Sea.

JAPAN AND CHINA SWAP CENTERS! WHERE IS ENGLAND GOING?!

China (Nadaner): A HANKOW S F Canton; A JOHORE-Thailand; A BURMA
S INDIAN F Calcutta((otm)); A ANNAM-Saigon; A Tibet-SIKANG;
A Vladivostok-MANCHURIA; A THAILAND-Cambodia; A Turkestan-
SIBERIA; A Kansu-INNER MONGOLIAN; F CANTON H; F Japan Sea-
KYOTO; F South China Sea-PHILIPPINES.

England (Scheifler): F South Atlantic-WEST INDIAN OCEAN OBB;
F South Atlantic OBB-SOMALI SEA; F Spain(nc)-PORTUGAL; F BREST
S F North Pacific OBB-MidAtlantic; F North Atlantic-IRISH SEA;
F North Pacific OBB-MIDATLANTIC; F FUJI "offers assistance to
Japan" H; F St. Petersburg(nc)-NORWAY; F Siberia-OMSK; A MOSCOW
S GERMAN A Warsaw-Ukraine((nso)).

Germany (Hakey): A LIVONIA S ENGLISH A Moscow; A WARSAW S
A Silesia-Galicia; A Silesia-GALICIA; A Galicia-VIENNA;
A TYROLIA & A BOHEMIA S A Galicia-Vienna; A Burgundy-MUNICH;
A GASCONY-Burgundy; A MARSEILLES-Burgundy; F Baltic-POSEN;
F South Pacific OBB-SOUTH PACIFIC.

Italy (Keller): A PIEDMONT S A Venice; A VENICE S GERMAN A Tyrolia
A Apulia-ALBANIA; F IONIAN C A Apulia-Albania; A GREECE-
Bulgaria; F AEGEAN S A Greece-Bulgaria; F EASTERN MED-Jordan wc
F PERSIAN GULF-Iran; F ARABIAN SEA S F Persian Gulf-Iran;
F Albania-MONTENEGRO.

Austria (Anderson): E ADRIATIC-Venice; A TRIESTE-Vienna; A UKRAINA
-Galicia; A CLUJ S A Trieste-Vienna; A ROMANIA S A Bulgaria;
A SEVASTOPOL-Moscow; A BULGARIA U, H.

India (Chisholm): A DECCAN-Madras; E CALCUTTA-Madras; A Delhi-
NEPAL; A Afghanistan-TURKESTAN; F Malayan Sea-BORNEO; E SIAM
GULF-Cambodia.

Japan (Makuc): F Tokyo-NORTH PACIFIC; F Karafuto-JAPAN SEA;
F OKHOTSK S F Karafuto-Japan Sea; F Yellow Sea-KOREA; F EAST
CHINA SEA S F Yellow Sea-Korea; F Sikang-VIETNAM.

Turkey (Furey): A SYRIA-Jordan; A BAGHDAD S F Iran; F IRAN H;
F CONSTANTINOPLE MS A SMYRNA.

France (Dancause): F SAIGON S INDIAN F Siam Gulf-Cambodia.

No dislodgements(!) this time. Here is the 1908 supply
center chart:

China: Peking, Hankow, CANTON; Vietnam, Manchuria, Outer Mongolia;
Sinkiang, Burma, Thailand, Cambodia, Saigon, Korea, Formosa,
Johore, Vladivostok, PHILIPPINES; KYOTO (14). +2 (room for 1)
England: London, Liverpool, Edinborough, Ireland, Norway, St. Petes,
Omsk, Moscow, Brest, Spain, Morocco, PORTUGAL (12). Build 1.
Germany: Home(4), Denmark, Holland, Belgium, Sweden, Warsaw,
Paris, Marseilles, VIENNA (12). Build 1.
Italy: Home(4), Yeman, Pentapolis, Tunis, Ethiopia, Greece,

Egypt (10). Even.
 Austria: Vienna, Cluj, Budapest, Trieste, Romania, Serbia,
 Bulgaria, Sevastopol (7). Even (1 anni).
 India: Home(3), Java, Ceylon, Borneo (6). Even.
 Japan: Osaka, Tokyo, Kyoto, Karafuto, Philippines, Canton,
VIETNAM, KOREA (5). Remove 1.
 Turkey: Home(4), Iran (5). Even.
 France: Portugal, SAIGON (1). Even.
 Don't forget I have a new address on page 2.

PRESS:

England-GM: Why don't you add a few more OFF Board Boxes, just to make this game interesting to adjudicate? There's plenty of room in Fezzan or the East Indian Ocean. Aw, C'mon!

GM-England: Why don't you just die?

England: See the world! Join the Navy!

Posen-Berlin: The Baltic Sea Fleet has landed here for repairs and general maintenance after their strenuous spring maneuvers. Must have been out of practice!

Berlin: Spokesmen for the Imperial German government today announced that the lovely city of Vienna, former capitol of Austria, will soon be restored from its war-torn, ravaged condition by units of the Imperial Occupation Forces currently on route from their previous assignment in the French provinces.

Berlin-Delhi: E/G/I/I?

Berlin-Rome: Future plans must be discussed...

Berlin-London: Onward, my ally, onward!

Berlin-Saigon: Good luck in the East, oh brave mv enemy.

Berlin-Peking: Write to me, great Emperor.

Berlin-Turkey: ?!?

Berlin-GM: Can you say "oops!"? Sure you can...

GM-Berlin: Bang! Zoom! To the moon!

Berlin-Tokyo: Doom, despair, and agony on ye...

Somewhere-in-the-Pacific (Germany): Raid! Loot! Pillage! Raid! (I like raids).

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 1982Qhp01 "Spring, 1892"

Autumn, 1891: Germany retreats A Ven DTB.

Winter, 1891: Sweden builds F Sto; Italy builds F Nap; Austria builds F Spl.

ENGLISH POUR INTO MEDITERRANEAN

England (Chisholm): F HEB S F Nth; F NTH H; F Val-LYD; F CAT S
 F Val-Lyo; A GAS S F Cat; F AlbS-WES; F ALG S F AlbS-Wes; A_Mid
 disembark-Mor((nsu)); F_Mid_S_A_Mid-Mor((nsu)); F Por-CAD;
 A Mad-VAL; A/F SAD U, H.

Spain (Makuc): F MOR H.

Sweden (Hakey): A Mal-NWY; F Sto-MAL; F BAL S F Sto-Mal; A Arch-
 SIB; A Per-LEV; A MOS S A War-UKR; A War-UKR; A Sil-WAR.

Germany (Wrobel): A TYO S ITALIAN A Ven-Cro; A DRES S F Ber; A KIE
 S F Den; F BER H; A Boh-SIL; A PIE & A MAR U, H.

Italy (Dancause): F GRE-Alb; A VEN-Cro; A ROM-Ven; F Nap-TYN;
 F_Lyo_S_GERMAN_A_Mar; A SMY H; F Wes-TUN.

Austria (Anderson): F Spl-ALB; A MAC S F Spl-Mac; A_BUD-Gal; A_GAL-
 -Ukr; A Sev-ARM; A Rum-SEV; F Arm-BLA; A_CRO_S_A_Vie; A VIE S
 A Cro; E_CON-Smy.

SPELLS, SCROLLS AND OTHER LETTERS

From Steve Hutton - London, Ontario:

Ken:

You believe that the opinion of the majority is morality ((Oversimplification.)), and that this morality helps society and the human race to survive. Fine so far, but this doesn't tell me your real (ultimate) moral standard. Suppose I could show you that "the majority is always right" doesn't help mankind and society to survive, or that it doesn't help mankind and society to survive as well as some other moral system. Would you then admit defeat, or would you say, "it doesn't matter; the majority is inherently right"?

This is what I was getting at in my previous letter (although I obviously wasn't clear enough): what is your moral standard? Is it the opinion of the majority, or is it the survival of the human race, or is it the maintenance of "society" (whatever that is)? I don't really see how it can be more than one of these. ((You're mixing apples and oranges again... "The opinion of the majority" is not comparable to "the survival of the human race" and "the maintenance of society" as a moral standard. How you can fail to see that amazes me. "The opinion of the majority" is in the same category as "the Bible", "the Koran", and so forth as a means to an end, the end being whatever priorities are held by the people deciding what means (or moral code) to use. "The survival of the human race" and "the maintenance of society" are in the ends category. For example, a society can choose to base its laws on the Koran, the Bible, or the opinion of the majority (among other things) but not on "the maintenance of society" or "the survival of the human race" because neither of those things is a moral code. If it were suggested to my hypothetical society that one of the two ends I have just mentioned be used as a basis for its constitution, hot argument would likely ensue as to which moral code would most effectively serve to bring about that end. Comprenez? To make it even clearer, "being worthy servants of Allah" is to "the maintenance of society" what "the Koran" is to "the opinion of the majority" (in my opinion, anyway). You can say "The laws addressing the legality of murder will be based upon the majority opinion" but you cannot say "The laws addressing the legality of murder will be based on what is best for the maintenance of society" because it would then be open to debate what is best for the maintenance of society.)) Put another way, what exactly must I demonstrate to convince you that you are wrong?

Until I get you pinned down to a specific position, there is no way I can launch an effective attack against your position. ((I have stated and clarified my position endlessly. It's becoming tiresome.)) The best I can do is random pot-shots, such as:

1. The majority is always right. (i.e. the term "moral majority" is a redundancy.) Fine, but which majority?

1a. Do you mean the majority of people in the world, or in each country, or in each city... If each country can have its own morality, you could have a war in which each country "has God on its side" ((How utterly absurd! How could I possibly believe

in the lack of absolute morality and believe in God?!?! God's morality would be absolute if he existed. In fact, it is fundamental to my belief that there is no absolute morality that I am an atheist.)) If you mean the majority of people in the world, please consider the fact that most people in the world are extremely ignorant, and have never seen a government that was not corrupt and brutal.

1b. You, Eric and I are washed ashore on a desert island. You and I decide that Eric must die; you and Eric decide that I must die; Eric and I decide that you must die. At midnight, the sentences are carried out. Each of us wanted to live but is dead, murdered, but no one has done anything wrong because "the majority" approved in each case. Do you agree? ((That is a very silly example, since each of those involved have voted two different ways. However, if it were necessary for one person to die that the other two might live, then a vote would be as fair a way as any to do it. This, however, is not what my arguments apply to in the main, as this is a situation that absolute morality would find hard to resolve as well. Most morality systems value all persons lives equally, so there is really no prescribed ("moral") way of resolving the above situation.)) (This is not wholly artificial: it is a scaled-down and more violent version of what goes on in the U.S. Congress every day.) This illustrates (I hope) the absurdity of regarding "the majority" as an entity. In our group of 3, there are 3 majorities, in a world of 4 billion, there are a virtually infinite number. Which majority is right?

2. Let's assume that you are more intelligent and knowledgeable than the average person (an assumption that I'm quite willing to make). "The majority is right" means that there is no higher standard of morality than the opinions of people who are, compared with you, stupid and ignorant. Seems like "the blind leading the sighted" to me.

3. Probably a majority of people in the U.S. and Canada (certainly a majority in the world) think that atheists are a corrupting influence on the young and should, at the very least, be thrown in jail. ((That, of course, is utterly false.)) Where does that leave two atheists like you and me?

4. When you assert your right to say things you don't mean, you aren't just attacking debate, but communication. ((Come on!! Clearly, I don't assert my right to say things I don't mean - I question your right to misinterpret things I say.)) Suppose you asked me where Toronto is and I replied, "it is 100km south of New York City". Because I didn't say what I meant, I would have failed to communicate with you. It does no good for me to say, "from context I obviously meant 600km" ((oh brother!)) or "only a fool would think that Toronto was south of New York City". It's up to me to say what I mean! ((Pretty laughable example. I would like you to produce some evidence from my letters to back up your absurd claims. The only things you have cited are the Hitler comment, which I have clarified, and the physical truth contention, which I thought was obviously not part of my argument from the beginning.))

4a. Contextual meaning. When you hide behind contextual meaning, you essentially say, "I am unwilling or unable to say

what I mean: it's up to you to sort through my contradictions and figure out what I mean." Let's take a specific case. In Anduin #29, you wrote "I support (among other things) respect for the beliefs of others, a view which is certainly in opposition to the destruction of one's fellow human beings. Hitler deserved death because he violated the value systems of almost all humanity...". We have one vague, apple-pie statement (Hitler deserved death, here's why:...). I and other readers of Anduin were faced with the task of figuring out what you meant. If I understand your position correctly, we were supposed to come to the conclusion that you meant "Hitler deserved death because he killed a whole bunch of people, not just because he 'violated the value systems' of most people". How we were supposed to reach this conclusion is beyond me. It's as if I said, "The Iranian hostage thing was kind of yucky. The U.S. was right to invade Grenada because Grenada is on U.S. shipping lanes" and expected people to interpret it as "the U.S. was right to invade Grenada because it avoided another hostage situation". ((See last double-parenthetical comment.))

4b. You say that I should have known that reality was subjective because only an idiot could believe that. The philosopher Protagoras, who is seldom counted among the feeble-minded (Socrates called him the "wisest of all living men"), believed that reality was subjective. He said (essentially) that if I believe the world is flat, and you believe it is round, the world is flat for me, and it is round for you. I would suggest that you get out of your head right now the notion that some ideas can only be believed by idiots!

4c. You say that it was obvious that when you said "Truth is not absolute, it is relative", you were only referring to moral truth because that's all you later talked about. That's equivalent to me saying "California stinks" and then claiming you should have known I only meant southern California because I didn't hurl any abuse specifically at Sacramento. ((That is flawed. The example would make sense if you said "...because I didn't hurl any abuse specifically at the rest of California." And in that case, I would agree that that claim could be made, with slight modification. If I stated "The United States stinks" and then outlined all the reasons why California stinks, a defender of this nation (or anyone else for that matter) could force me to abandon my argument against the U.S. in favor of a position against California unless I could produce more evidence to back up my claims. That, in essence, is what happened in our argument. Of course, I never intended to say that physical/factual truth was subjective anyway, and I thought that was obvious from the bulk of my letter. However, when you pointed out the ambiguity in your inimitable way, I clarified that point.))

Please say what you mean. I'm not omniscient; I only know of you and your opinions what I read in Anduin. If you won't say what you mean, I can't argue with you.

5. One of the rules of debate (or Debate or dEbaTe) is that you fight your opponent's ideas, not your opponent. You only make yourself look silly when you try to attribute motivations to my actions ("...but you wanted to look clever") and when you accuse me of being too smart to be stupid, or too stupid to be smart, or some other sort of walking paradox. ((I make myself look silly

only when I attribute motives that aren't there. In this case, however, the motives that I alleged are clearly evinced by some things you said earlier in this very letter: "Would you then admit defeat...", and "...just what exactly must I demonstrate to convince you that you are wrong?" As I purported, you are more interested in 'winning on the intellectual battlefield' than in finding the truth.))

6. Why was (and am) I uncertain about your moral standard? It's because you haven't clearly set it out for me to see. I just re-read your comments in Anduin 30/31. After trudging through the green soup and irrelevant attacks on theism, I could not find a single word on your part on the majority, which you supposedly "supported...straight down the line". ((Steve, that is simply not true. The "green soup" led up to my rationale for majority rule, which was submitted thusly: "Inherent in maintaining the integrity of this society and the dignity of its members is consideration of the beliefs of every member to be of equal value." Of course I didn't reiterate my entire position, as I had stated it in the previous issue. I essentially responded to your attacks - surely you realize how absurd it would be for me to rewrite everything I have said to date in every correspondence.)) When I wrote my last letter, I was genuinely confused about your position. I'm less confused now and hope to be less confused still when I read your reply to this letter. ((All right. Here we go again. The green soup stuff was an explanation of the scientific basis of my thinking. In my opinion a man is no more than an assemblage of chemicals functioning in a systemic way, lacking a soul or any other sort of inherent divine spirit or affiliation. This belief and the belief that there is no supreme perfect being that would determine an absolute moral standard convinced me that there is, in fact, no absolute moral standard. There is nothing universal that makes murder (or anything else) wrong, though I personally consider it wrong. That is, I recognize that my moral standard (and everyone else's for that matter) has no universal validity, and therefore I allow for everyone else's on an equal level with my own. Lacking an absolute morality, I believe that when a society's laws are decided, every person's opinion should have equal weight. Certainly, there is nothing absolute that says mankind should survive, or have a working society, or anything for that matter. I submitted the survival (and progress) of mankind as worthwhile goals **in my opinion**. In other words, Steve, I can have my own opinion about what moral code is best to achieve what I consider worthwhile ends while recognizing all the time that each and every other individual in the human race is in the same position that I am. Getting back to the green soup stuff, I believe that human beings possess a natural potential (more so than any other species) for forming a cooperative society, which is why I believe a viable moral code can be reached by considering every person's opinions of equal value, weighing all opinions and reaching a consensus decision. If you wish more specifics on the scientific basis of this, I will provide it on request.))

Thank you for having the patience to argue with one who is not quite stupid enough to be smart... ((You're welcome.))

From Gary Coughlan - Memphis, TN:
Hi Eric'

I've taken 5 days off from work (including my 2 regular off days) so I'm able to clean my home, get stuff organized, rest and write letters.

I think polls prove to be meaningless when a great zine like Anduin comes in 28th with an average of 6.66 based on 45 voters. Please don't take it to heart, Eric. You've got one of the best letter columns going and I eagerly await your zine each month. When I called Randolph Smyth to get the results of the Runestone Poll, I couldn't believe where Anduin was. You're a Top Ten Zine despite what the poll says. He said that someone else had also expressed surprise over Anduin's placing--Steve Hutton. I got the breakdown on your votes and I have to say that you were apparently not the victim of grudge votes; you got a lot of medium numbers which greatly surprised me. I mean what do people want from a zine?!! Keep up the good work!

I'm enjoying the comments of Dan Falter and yourself. I have read and enjoyed the books he mentions, The Origins of the Second World War by A.J.P. Taylor who also wrote a history of World War I. Taylor is generally objective in his treatment of these histories and I like that. You know in history classes, especially in high school, it's clear that America and her allies were right and Germany and Japan were the "enemy". The victors write the history. So, for me, it is refreshing to read someone who treats all sides as having bad points and good points. ((I agree. No one side is ever completely right or wrong.))

What I like about Taylor is that he makes you think. He doesn't consider Hitler as a fiend incarnate or a demon-possessed madman but as a politician, and a very successful one. It's as if you are placed in the context of the 1930's and not knowing what is about to happen. I found myself saying, "Did that really happen?" and checking other sources. Too often in our reading history, we see the central thread which becomes so obvious to later generations. Taylor shows many threads and one was at a loss to predict the future. ((You bring up an important point, this is a common flaw in history books - hindsight is a lot easier than foresight. Hitler was a madman. He suffered from schizophrenia. As Phil Dancause pointed out to me, "One minute he was a good politician in complete command and control - helping Germany out of its economic problems, and the next minute he was 'Der Fuehrer'".

Until College, I used to have rather firm opinions of what had happened. One girl in my German class there, said that the Nazis had tried to send the Jews to other contries who generally refused them (the Depression was on and the Jews would take jobs from any prospective host country). I didn't believe this at all. But it was true. Do you remember the movie "Voyage of the Damned" with Orson Welles & Faye Dunaway? That was based on this incident.

Another thing that I doubted was that Hitler was sincere in negotiating with the British after the fall of France in 1940. I agree with you that he would not have given up the Low Countries or France but he was willing to make a deal with the British whom he both admired and hated. The general reasoning goes that if

Britain would agree to give Germany a free hand in Europe, he wouldn't move against the British Empire. Indeed there was really nothing he could do against the British; the Germans had prepared no plans to conquer England. They felt that the fall of France would make the British see the light. This is not to say that Hitler might not have attacked England later but I think he was sincere in wanting peace with them in 1940. In his Mein Kampf, Hitler named the two allies that Germany should seek: Italy and England. He always criticized the Kaiser's Germany for challenging the British by building a rival fleet instead of seeking cooperation with England. ((None of this surprises me. Had Hitler reached a bargain with his "Aryan Cousins" (as he called the British), he would have been able to concentrate his forces against Russia and complete his control of Europe. Then he could slowly starve Britain to death much in the same way Napoleon tried to do with his Continental System. England would then have been easy prey for Germany both at home and in Africa.))

William Shirer in his book The Rise and Fall of the Third Reich mentions the persecution of the Jews, but it was pretty dry to me. What really opened my eyes, and made me very aware of the horror, was the mini-series Holocaust. Did you see it? ((Yes)) That series also made a tremendous impact in West Germany. When I went to Europe last year I saw Dachau and visited Anne Frank's house. It's almost beyond imagining what evils were done. Yet in the Dachau museum there are many artifacts, among them German newspapers of the 1930s telling of the concentration camps. This proves that the common German did know that something was going on. William Shirer states in his book I mentioned earlier these words on page 586-587 about Kristallnacht:

"On the flaming, riotous night of November 9, 1938, the Third Reich had deliberately turned down a dark and savage path from which there was to be no return. A good many Jews had been murdered and tortured and robbed before, but these crimes, except for those which took place in concentration camps, had been committed mostly by brown-shirted rowdies, acting out of their own sadism and greed while State authorities looked on, or looked the other way. Now the German Government itself had organized and carried out a vast pogrom. The killings, the lootings, the burning of synagogues and houses and shops on the night of November 9 were its doing.... Individually, as this writer can testify from personal experience, many Germans were horrified by the November 9 inferno as were Americans and Englishmen and other foreigners. But neither the leaders of the Christian churches nor the generals nor any other representatives of the "good" Germany spoke out at once in open protest."

Certainly before this time, the German man-in-the-street was aware that Jews were excluded from being teachers, doctors, government workers; that books, plays and music done by Jews were forbidden; and of course the consequences for violating the Nuremberg Laws which were designed to prevent "race mixing".

But the question is, what could the Germans have realistically done about it? They lived under a dictatorship and many non-Jewish Germans were put in the concentration camps too. The extermination camps did not exist until after World War II had started.

Hope you have a good KaneKon. How many showed up?

((16, I think. I guess there really was very little that the German people could have done. Still, they got themselves into that horrible predicament, and they allowed it to continue. Fortunately, the US and other nations did not allow themselves to get into as bad trouble. Can you imagine if we allowed the persecution of blacks to continue today? Or women?))

From Zeid Raad - Amman, Jordan:

Hi! Allow me to introduce myself: Zeid (pronounced Zaid) Raad, your student advisor. The first question you may ask yourself is what the hell sort of name is that?! The explanation is that I'm a Jordanian national. But not to worry - I'm not as weird as the name sounds.

As your student advisor, my main task is to make your transition to Hopkins a smooth one. This does not only include Orientation and your first week or two of classes, although that is when we'll spend a good deal of time together. My objective is to have you become totally familiar and comfortable with Hopkins, academically and socially by the end of your Freshman year. For this you are assured a friendship upon which you may always rely.

About Baltimore: when you arrive, no doubt it will be hot and humid!! Your most prized asset, therefore, is a fan. Make sure it's a good one - the heat usually doesn't break until late September. After that comes the rain - so an umbrella is essential. Another must is a backpack (not necessarily a hiking one, but something to carry your books around). On a social note - if you have any fake I.D., bring it. The drinking laws are stringent in Maryland, so some I.D. might come in handy.

Aside from that, bring along whatever you may wish (a small refrigerator, stereo, posters, books, etc.) - but remember your space is not unlimited. Try not to bring along everything you own.

If you have any really important questions, feel free to write. But since I'm half way around the world any letter would obviously take time. Anyway, here's my home address if anything of importance comes to mind: Zeid Raad, Royal Palace, Amman, Jordan.

Don't be afraid of Hopkins. It is not an overwhelming place. The work probably won't be easy, but on the other hand it won't be impossible either. One thing is for sure, however, that provided you make an effort this place can be a lot of fun.

So lastly, enjoy the rest of your summer and I'll see you when you arrive at Homewood.

PS: Orientation, incidentally, is one fine week, we'll spend most of our time picking up women!

((Thanks for writing Zeid!! I'm really excited about coming down now and meeting you! I think what you have said is exactly what a good Student Advisor should say. Personally, I don't drink much, I hope that this won't be a major set-back in my social life, I have confidence that it won't. See you in September!))

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"Fall, 1902"

Summer, 1902: Beta retreats F Bre-Pic. Ken's Bar and Grill retreats A Bud-Gal. Pandemonium retreats A Mos-Ukr. Untied States retreats A Kie OTB.

COELENTERATES SPONGING UP AUSTRIA!

Astalon (Hakey): A Mun-RUH; A Arm-SMY.

Beta (Chisholm): F PIC-Bel.

Coelenterates (Halpern): A VIE S A Bud; A TRI-Ser; A BUD S A Tri-Ser; A ROM-Nap.

Decipere (Scheifler): A NAP H; A EDI-Bel.

Edrank (Anderson): A SPA-For; A BRE H; A GAS S A Bre.

Fourdor (Larzelere): A HOL S A Kie; A KIE S ASTALON A Mun-Ruh.

Gilkaw (Felella): A MOS S TRIMANIA A Sev; A Tun-NAF.

Hell Hath No (Furey): A DEN-Swe; F MID-For.

I.C.C. (Cameron): F SWE S STAPLES F StP-Nwy; F BEL H.

Ken's Bar & Grill (Peel): F Smy-EAS; A GAL S PANDEMONIUM A Ukr-War

No Fixed Name (Hutton): A SER H.

Oceania (Makuc): F NIH-Lon; F NWY S HELL HATH NO A Den-Swe.

Pandemonium (Martin): A Ukr-WAR; A LVP-Ireland((imp)).

Staples (Quirk): F STP-Nwy.

Trimania (Murray): A SEV S GILKAW A Mos; A RUM S NO FIXED NAME A Ser.

Untied States (Lew): F Bul(ec)-CON.

Zimbabwe (Stone): F ENG-Lon.

No dislodgements this time. Here is the 1902 supply chart:

Astalon: Mun, Ank, SMY (3). Build 1.

Beta: Bre (0). O-U-T.

Coelenterates: Vie, Ven, Rom, Tri, BUD (5). Build 1.

Decipere: Nap, Edi (2). Even.

Edrank: Par, Mar, Spa, BRE (4). Build 1.

Fourdor: Hol, Ber, KIE (3). Build 1.

Gilkaw: War, Tun, MOS (2). Even.

Hell Hath No: For, Den (2). Even.

ICC: Bel, Swe (2). Even.

Ken's Bar & Grill: Bud, Con (0). O-U-T.

No Fixed Name: SER, Gre (2). Build 1.

Oceania: Nwy, Lon (2). Even.

Pandemonium: Mos, Lvp, WAR (2). Even.

Staples: St.P (1). Even.

Trimania: Ser, Sev, RUM (2). Even.

Untied States: Bul, Kie, Rum, CON (2). Build 1 (1 r OTB).

Zimbabwe: Smy (0). O-U-T.

PRESS: (Black)

Trimania-Astalon: Nyah! Nyah! You can't make me!

Staples-Decipere: So I'm a worthless piece of garbage who writes childish black press. Who cares? I need to do something in this game besides lose.

Astalon-Trimania: Crush! Kill! Destroy! Crush! Kill!...

Astalon-Zimbabwe: Go for it!

Astalon-Untied States: Ha! Ha! Ha! Ho! Ho! Ho! (Gasp) Ha!

KB&G-Hutton: I'm going to stab you.

GM: More press on page 6.